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## September 1 Grain Stocks

Idaho's September 1, 2003 stocks of wheat stored in all positions totaled 63.6 million bushels, down 4 percent from the 66.5 million bushels stored in all positions last year, according to the Idaho Agricultural Statistics Service. On-farm storage was estimated at 28.0 million bushels, down 15 percent from September 1, 2002. Off-farm storage, including stocks at mills, elevators, warehouses, terminals and processors was estimated at 35.6 million bushels, up 6 percent from the 33.5 million bushels stored off-farm last year. Idaho's Barley stocks in all positions totaled 39.8 million bushels, down 1 percent from September 1, 2002. On-farm storage was estimated at 21.0 million bushels, down 12 percent from 2002. Off-farm storage was estimated at 18.8 million bushels, up 15 percent from a year ago.

Nationally, all wheat stored in all positions on September 1, 2003, was estimated at 2.04 billion bushels, up 16 percent from September 1, 2002. On-farm stocks were 690 million bushels, up 19 percent from a year ago. Off-farm stocks totaled 1.35 billion bushels, up 15 percent from last year. Barley stored in all positions on September 1, 2003, was estimated at 239 million bushels, 7 percent above last year's 224 million bushels. Of the total barley stocks on hand, 140 million bushels were stored on farms, 6 percent above September 1, 2002. Off-farm stocks, at 99.1 million bushels, were up 7 percent from last year. Oats stored in all positions on September 1, 2003, totaled 132 million bushels, 18 percent above September 1, 2002. Of the total oat stocks on hand, 82.1 million bushels were stored on farms, 16 percent more than a year ago. Off-farm stocks totaled 49.4 million bushels, 20 percent more than last year. Corn stored in all positions on September 1, 2003, totaled 1.09 billion bushels, down 32 percent from September 1, 2002. Of the total stocks, 485 million bushels were stored on farms, 17 percent less than last year. Off-farm stocks, at 601 million bushels, are down 40 percent from last year.

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